disputes between the U. P. Government Handicrafts employees with the U. P. Export Corporation Limited and resolved the same long ago;

(c) whether Government would now direct the U. P. Export Corporation Limited to act in accordance with the provisions of law and not let them flout the same against the interest of its workers and staff; and

(d) if so, the facts and details thereof ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI PABAN SINGH GHATOWAR) : (a) to (d) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Payment of Provident Fund to the Employees of M/s. Borroughs Wellcome India Limited

5343. SHRI GHUFRAN AZAM : Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Regional Provident Fund Commissioner, Bombay has not yet clearred the applications for payment of advance from the accumulated provident funds of the employees of Borroughs Wellcome India Limited, Bombay who have been contesting cases with the management of the Company for their illegal removal etc.;

(b) whether some applicant have been preferring their claims for such payment for their own subsistence;

(c) whether delay in taking action is causing enough harassment to them;

(d) if so, the facts and details thereof, and

(e) what immediate steps are being taken to release the required payments to workmen/applicants ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI PABAN SINGH GHATOWAR) : (a) The requisite claims have not been received in the Office of the Regional Provident Fund Commissioner, Bombay.

(b) to (e) Do not arise.

Closures of Public Sector Units

5344. SHRI GHUFRAN AZAM : Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the news-report published in the 'Economic Times'. Calcutta dated the 12th April, 1994 under the caption "Labour Ministry for payment of workers first in wound up companies".

(b) whether Government are making changes in view of likelihood closures of some of the Public Sector Units or their winding up process to be followed after the decision of the BIFR; and

(c) if so. the details thereof?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI PABAN SINGH GHATOWAR) : (a) to (c) Information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Conditions of Domestic Workers

5345. SHRI P. UPENDRA : Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state :

(a) whether there have been a large number of incidents recently of torture